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BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., May 22, 1889.

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Superintendent U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

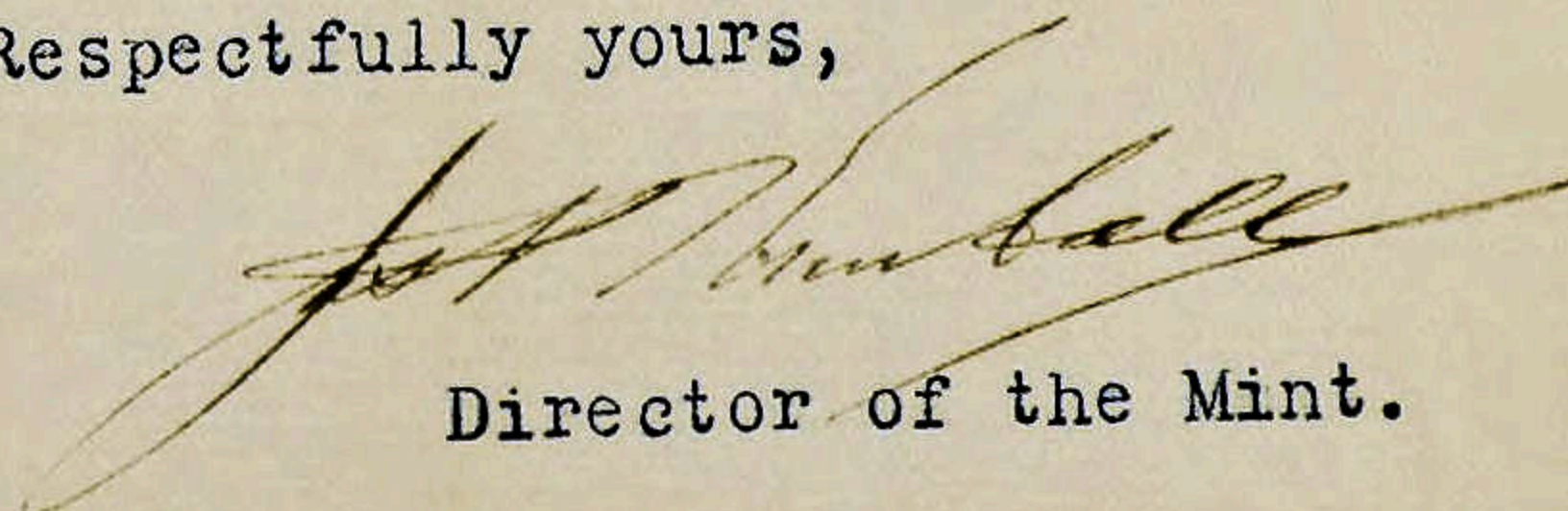
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